

A LISTING OF CLAIMS

No amendments are made in the following listing of claims, which is provided as a convenience to the Examiner. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

54. (Previously presented) A content delivery method comprising:
establishing a set of user preferences related to delivery of content,
receiving at an agent a request from a terminal connected to a network;
at the agent, sourcing content in response to receiving the request; and
at the agent, selecting, based on said set of user preferences, a network over which
to deliver said content from the agent to the terminal;
delivering the content from the agent to the terminal over the selected network.

55. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising
maintaining in the agent a log of sourced content relating to the request.

56. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 55, comprising
maintaining in the log an indication of the delivery status of the content.

57. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 56, comprising acknowledging receipt of the content over a duplex network.

58. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 57, comprising updating the delivery status of the log on receiving an acknowledgement receipt.

59. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising notifying over a duplex network the terminal prior to the delivery of content over a simplex network.

60. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, in which the user preferences relate to cost and/or delivery timing preferences.

61. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising reviewing content items on a data carousel, and determining from the reviewing step if any forthcoming content matches the user request.

62. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising conducting a search for content relating to the request, preferably using the internet.

63. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising storing in the agent information relating to the last update of content relating to the

request and/or information relating to the user's time and/or frequency of updating preferences and/or information relating to domains to which searching relating to the content request is limited.

64. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 54, comprising storing in the agent user preferences relating to plural users, and optionally sourcing an item of content, and sending the content to plural users, and optionally maintaining in the agent a log of which users have received the item of content.

65. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 64, in which the plural users each are able to define a relevance level of content of which they require delivery.

66. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 64, comprising periodically sourcing content, and using the user preferences for the plural users to determine which users the content is required by.

67. (Previously presented) An apparatus connectable to first and second networks, the apparatus being operable to source content in response to a user request received from a user terminal via said first network, and to deliver said content to said terminal over a network, selected by the apparatus in accordance with a set of user preferences.

68. (Previously presented) A content delivery system comprising an apparatus according to claim 67, wherein the first network is a duplex network, and wherein the system comprises a user terminal connectable to said first and second networks.